

Remarks

A. Claims Pending

Claims 33, 35-39, 43, 44, 46-49, and 71-93 are pending in the case. Applicant requests entry of the amendments to claims 49, 78, 82, 86, and 90. Claims 40-42 have been cancelled.

B. Specification Amendments

The disclosure was objected to because of informalities in the SUMMARY OF THE INVENTION. Applicant has submitted an amended SUMMARY OF THE INVENTION to correct the noted informalities.

The paragraph beginning on page 10, line 18 has been amended to correct a typographical error.

C. Objections under 37 C.F.R. §1.75(c)

Claims 40-42 were objected to under 37 C.F.R. §1.75(c) as being of improper dependent form for failing to further limit the subject matter of a previous claim. Claims 40-42 have been cancelled for expediency.

D. 35 U.S.C. §112, Second Paragraph Rejections

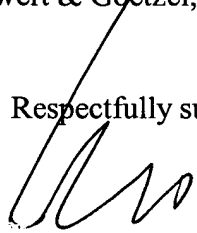
Claims 49, 78, 82, 86, and 90 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. §112, second paragraph as being indefinite for failing to particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter which Applicant regards as the invention. Claims 49, 82, and 90 have been amended as suggested by the Examiner. Claims 78 and 86 have been amended to remove the objected to word of “conventional”. Applicant respectfully requests removal of the rejection of claims 49, 78, 82, 86, and 90.

E. Additional Comments

In the listing of claims, "1-33. (cancelled)" has been changed to "1-32. (cancelled)". Applicant submits that all claims are in condition for allowance. Favorable reconsideration is respectfully requested.

Applicant believes no fees are due with the filing of this document. If an extension of time is required, Applicant hereby requests the appropriate extension of time. If any fees are required, please charge those fees to Meyertons, Hood, Kivlin, Kowert & Goetzel, P.C. Deposit Account Number 50-1505/5045-03200/EBM.

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